H. CON. RES. 293

Supporting the goals and ideals of God Bless America Week.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 2, 2003

Mr. Cunningham submitted the following concurrent resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

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- Whereas the attack on the United States of September 11, 2001 united the people of the United States and renewed their appreciation for freedom;
- Whereas thousands of members of the United States Armed Forces have been deployed around the globe since that date to fight the global war on terrorism and to protect our homeland;
- Whereas the people of the United States have expressed their strong support for the members of the United States Armed Forces and their families;
- Whereas the people of the United States appreciate the sacrifices members of the United States Armed Forces have made throughout history and continue to make while serving their country;

- Whereas the people of the United States mourn those who have given their lives defending liberty in the war on terrorism;
- Whereas these sacrifices and losses reinforce the appreciation of the people of the United States for the greatness of the Nation and what it means to be an American;
- Whereas since September 11, 2001 the people of the United States have displayed a renewed spirit of patriotism and appreciation for being Americans;
- Whereas the Nation has benefited from this increased public spirit and patriotism;
- Whereas the anthem "God Bless America" embodies that patriotic spirit and strengthens the bonds of the citizens of this great Nation; and
- Whereas a number of veterans' organizations and community groups have designated the week beginning November 23, 2003 as God Bless America Week and plan to hold patriotic events and displays during that time: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate
 - 2 concurring), That Congress—
 - 3 (1) supports the goals and ideals of God Bless
 - 4 America Week; and
 - 5 (2) encourages the people of the United States
- 6 to recognize this occasion by displaying their Amer-
- 7 ican flags and participating in patriotic events.

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